

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Amendments

In the Specification:

Please insert the following paragraph at page 6, after line 18:

Also contemplated are nucleic acid molecules that comprise a polynucleotide having a nucleotide sequence at least 95% identical to a polynucleotide fragment of SEQ ID NO:1 or a polynucleotide fragment of the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No. 203072. The present invention also relates to polypeptides that comprise an amino acid sequence at least 95% identical to a polypeptide fragment of SEQ ID NO:2 or the encoded sequence included in ATCC Deposit No. 203072.

In the Claims:

✓ Please cancel claims 158, 161, 164, 167, 174, 177, 178, 181, 184, 187, 190, 229, 231, 248, 251 and 288-294 without prejudice or disclaimer. ✓